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> Dated in the City of San Diego, California on this 20th of December 2023

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NOTICE TO JAMES E. FRANKLIN:

You have been named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States District Court for the District of Utah (Central Division). The name of the case is SEC v. Digital Licensing Inc. (d/b/a"DEBT Box"), et al. and the case number is 2:23-c0-00482-RUS-DBP. The SEC alleges that you, acting individually and/or through entities controlled by you, violated the antifraud provisions of the federal securities laws by soliciting fraudulent investments in securities by, among other things, misrepresenting that those securities would let investors mine digital cryptocurrency assets backed by revenue from real projects including from oil wells in Nevada and Nebraska. The SEC seeks, among other relief, disgorgement, civil penalties, and injunctions against you. You are directed to contact the SEC at: Trial Unit, Attn: Troy Flake, Trial Counsel, Salt Lake Regional Office, Securities and Exchange Commission, 351 S. West Temple, Suite 6.100, Salt Lake City, UT 84101, FlakeT@sec.gov, (801) 524-5393 so that you may be served with a Summons and Complaint. If you do not contact the SEC within 28 days of the publication of this notice, the SEC shall be entitled to seek entry of your default in the above-referenced case pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(a).

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